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Spring Furlough Begins Tomorrow

Founder's Day Combined With Parent-Teacher Day

This year's Founder's Day, May 8, will also be a parent - teachers day, Col. M. H. Livick, administrative assistant to the superintendent, has announced. Formal invitations have been sent to parents concerning this event.

Beginning the day, at 10 a.m., will be a ceremony in the cemetery of the Augusta Stone Church in honor of the founder of Augusta Military Academy, Charles S. Roller, Sr., and his sons who followed in his steps, Col. Tom Roller and his brother, Gen. Charles S. Roller, Jr. A parade honoring the memory of the latter was presented last Tuesday, March 16.

Immediately following the ceremony, the teachers will be in their respective classrooms to meet with parents. Lunch will be served at noon, followed by a parent buffet at 1:15.

Other events scheduled for the day are a guest speaker and a band concert. In the afternoon, cadets may have permits until 11 p.m.

A Roller Rifle exhibition and a dress parade will highlight Sunday's activities, May. 9.

Cleaning Prepares Corps For G. I.

The beating of rugs, regular picking up of paper, and continuous military tactics and drill. these and many other sounds and actions mark the beginning of preparation for the annual Government Inspection.

The Government Inspection, held by the officers of the U.S. 2nd Army, will be conducted April 20. This inspection is one of the most talked about activities at Augusta and its importance can't be underestimated. It is truly one of the high-points of the military year at AMA.

Members of AMA's military department have already begun preparations for this inspection which will determine whether or not AMA maintains its "Honor School" rating. Upon their return from spring vacation, the cadets of the corps will likewise begin their respective tasks concerning G.I. Short haircuts, spit-shined shoes, spotless rooms, precision drill and all other phases of a military organization will be the major emphasis prior to April 20.

Cols. Livick, Gardner Return From Trips

Both Col. W. L. Gardner, superintendent, and Col. M. H. Livick, chairman of the board of trustees, have recently returned from business trips.

Col. Gardner, along with four other men from Staunton, were invited to a three-day trip to the Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Col.

Leaving by plane from Roanoke March 11, they arrived in Colorado Springs the next day. Met by a member of the Air Force Academy staff, they were taken to the Academy where they were shown around the campus and briefed on the curriculum and admissions policies of the school.

It may be interesting to know that all new cadets at the Academy must eat at attention and are not permitted to talk. They must also do double time wherever they go.

After a complete tour of the grounds, Col. Gardner was entertained at the Officer's Club. The party arrived home Saturday evening. Col. Gardner, impressed with both the physical and academic standards, said this was one of the most beautiful and impressive trips he has ever taken.

Col. Livick attended the 49th annual meeting of the Association of Military Colleges and Schools of the United States at Culver Military Academy, Culver, Ind., March 8 and 9.

A major discussion throughout the convention, reported Col. Livick, was the future of the military academy, which has been a recent consideration on the federal level.

Ends April 6; Leave Tests, Winter Behind; Look Toward Pin-Up, GI, Founder's Day

Spring has sprung and tomorrow all A.M.A. cadets will be homeward bound. Everyone will be in a state of confusion with only one idea in mind — hanging up the uniforms and venturing into a life of luxury. The halo so gently setting over barracks will be lifted, but every cadet will carry with him memories of incidents which occurred this past year at Augusta. AMA cadets will be spread all over to many regions of the United States. 6:15 will have no meaning for many cadets, nor will 10:30 have any effect. While barracks is deserted and cries for affection, no one will realize it until the uniting once again on April 6 when the AMA corps of cadets comes down the final stretch for the 100th successful year.

The emphasis for the first two weeks will be preparation for Government Inspection. Barracks will be spotless of dust as the cadets strive to maintain honorable standards with Uncle Sam.

Grab your girls, cadets, "Pin Up Queen" is the next highlight of the season. Beautiful girls, lovely music, and "cokes" for all. The social life of cadets will prove to be a most enjoyable one, with the corps showing exceptional enthusiasm when her majesty, the Queen, is crowned.

Finals is the most exciting and enjoyable highlight of the year. After the completion of final exams, cadets will find themselves participating in many closing events. Graduation finds each cadet with his own feelings, thoughts, and satisfactions. As the final note of "Auld Lang Syne" is heard and tears are shed, cadets will be released for a summer of fun and fury. This marks the final step which all so avidly look forward to taking.



"Beat those rugs!" "Clean those rooms!" "Wax that floor!" This is the all-around scene as cadets prepare for Government Inspection. April 19 will see many scenes like these as all of Augusta readies itself. Uncle Sam will be pleased that the corps of '65 has completed its duties to perfection!

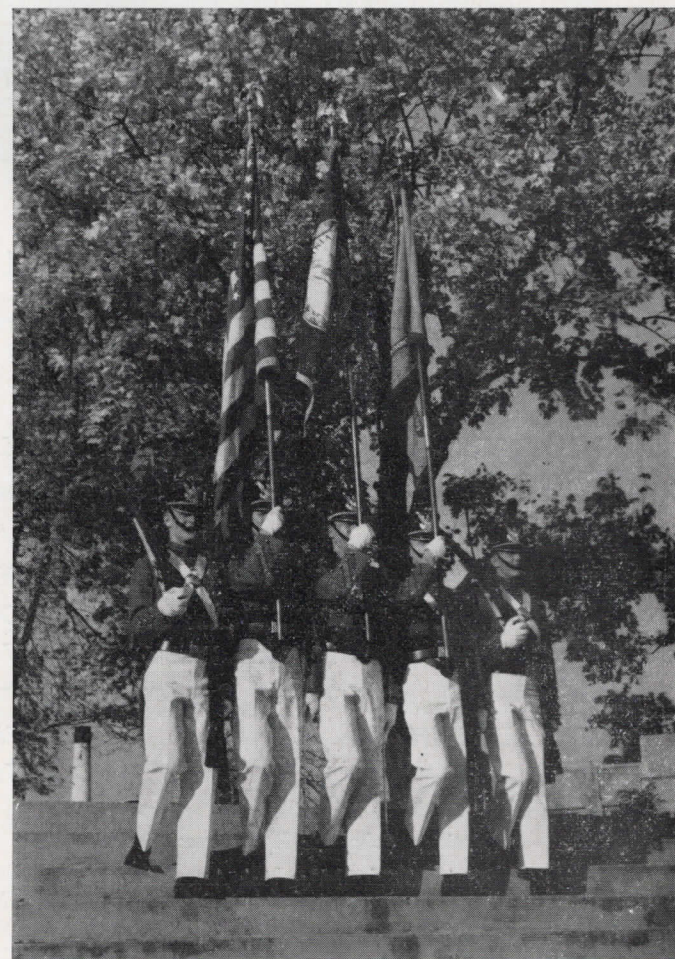
Five-Man Color Guard Takes Second In Alexandria; Center Of All Parades

Winning second place at the George Washington's Day celebration in Alexandria is only one of the many honors brought to AMA by the Colors. Consisting of five cadets, the Colors themselves are the center of our weekly Sunday dress parades. (Through a misunderstanding, they were not recognized in the last issue for winning the second place award in Alexandria.)

Members of the Colors are Dick Browner, who carries the Virginia State Flag; Ted Evans, bearer of the United States Flag, and Kent Jackson, who carries the School Flag. Dave Elms and Greaner Neal serve as guards.

The responsibilities of being on the colors are many, among them being at the discretion of the Military Department, and various other departments around the school. The Colors attend all functions with the Roller Rifles.

Under the advisory of Mr. Hutton, the colors constantly practice in order to maintain the high standards of precision they maintain. At the present time the Colors are interested in finding replacements for next year.



One Hundredth Anniversary Year

Oraters Defeat Page County At Harrisonburg Assembly

The debate team, sponsored by Capt. Flanigan, has turned out a very successful season with two more rivals to conquer. The team consists of an affirmative and a negative side.

Last Thursday the debate team went to Harrisonburg for a match with Page County High School. This was their first public appearance before a live audience of three hundred teachers and students at Harrisonburg High School. AMA's negative made an exceptional showing by winning over Page County's affirmative.

In previous matches, the negative team, consisting of George Leonards and John Snapp, defeated Greenbrier twice and Fork Union and St. Gertrude's of Richmond once each. The affirmative, Tom Phillips and Frank Gum, has defeated Charlotte Hall and Fork Union once each.

Capt. Flanigan has announced that two more matches are planned after the corps returns from spring vacation. One is a return match with Page County High School and the other is with Robert E. Lee High School in Staunton.

Suppose . . .

Paul Baker were	Paul Cook.
Ben Bass were	Ben Trout
Bob Biddle were	Bob Fiddle.
Matt Bradbury were	Matt Blueberry.
Steve Brister were	Steve Blister.
Bari Buzzard were	Bari Vulture.
Mike De Ayora were	Mike Sayanara.
Doug Donaghy were	Doug Donutty.
Tom Grove were	Tom Orchard.
Rocky Jackson were	Rocky Jaskow.
Pete Lampman were	Pete Lampshade.
Tom Liston were	Tom Clay
William Nicol were	William Penny.
Chris Nuckols were	Chris Nickols
Clinton Pangborn were	Clinton Pingpong.
Frank Poplaski were	Frank Kolodinsky.
Mike Saylor were	Mike Soldier.
John Snapp were	John Krackle.
James Stillwagon were	James Movingcart.
Dave York were	Dave Harlem.
Don Wallace were	Don Alabama.
Bill Lynch were	Bill Lynched.
Jim Moore were	Jim Less.
John Knight were	John Day.

Editor's Corner Esprit de Corps

One hundred years ago a man started an institution and set an example to help build young men's characters and help them to reach their desired goals in life. Unfortunately, by not following this precedent, we are not trying to better our own characters by emulating his example. This is not the fault of our officers nor the fault of our proper authorities but it is the fault of the individual. This problem is not a grievous one yet, but it may soon prove to be one. We must recognize that being an officer, the one who sets the example, is not a very easy job and that in order to obtain **esprit de corps** we must first learn to respect the proper authorities. In this way we become an organized unit with the feeling "all for one and one for all." This can be easily accomplished if we realize that this institution possesses the guidance to lead us all on the correct pathway toward our choice ambition. But now the question arises — do we care? Make yourself care by living up to what is expected of you.

The new additions to the corps do not realize that by showing respect to the correct authorities will result in their working for the corps. A corps is not a corps unless it obtains support from every cadet associated with it. We have a leader and he has his assistants. They are our representatives with the greatest responsibility. They are not heroes nor gods of wisdom, but equal men who strive to make this corps one of which all of us can be proud. But, have we done our part as well? **V.A.**

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Navy Admiral, Alumnus To Speak at Commencement

Admiral R. O. Canada, Commanding Officer, Naval Hospital, Bethesda ,Md., will deliver the commencement address June 8, Col. J. C. McCue, Headmaster, announced today.

A recent issue of the U. of Va. Medical Journal had this to say about Adm. Canada and another famous AMA alumnus.

Adm. Canada and Adm. J. L. Yon started school together at AMA at the age of 13. They took pre-medical education together at the University of Virginia (with the exception of Adm. Yon's one year at Virginia Military Institute).

They graduated together from the University of Virginia School of Medicine in 1937.

After interning, they were commissioned at Lt.jg., Medical Corps, U.S. Navy, in 1938. They have advanced together through the grades to their present rank.

Both received their residency training in the Navy — Adm. Canada being Board certified in Internal Medicine, and Adm. Yon in Surgery.

Both have been Chief of their respective services in various Naval Hospitals, and both have had command of two Naval Hospitals — Captain Canada at Jacksonville, Fla. and Bethesda, Md.; and Captain Yon at Newport, R. I. and St. Albans, N. Y.

During World War II, they were both stationed aboard Naval fleet tankers, and both had their ships sunk under them. Both of them, after a short tour ashore, were assigned to new light cruisers and served aboard them until the end of the war.

Atomic Energy Assembly Electric, Shocking; Commission Speaker Shows Radiation Effects

Gavin Murdock, amazed by the scientific exhibition, increases his knowledge by assisting Mr. Williams in one of the atomic energy demonstrations. Since the Atomic Energy Commission deals greatly with radiation, Gavin learns how to detect radiation from this wiffle ball by using special scientific instruments.

Interesting, informative and even shocking at times was the program given Mar. 8 by Mr. Craig Williams, a representative from the Atomic Energy Commission at Oak Ridge. Mr. Williams began his discussion by explaining what happens when the protons of uranium atoms (235) hit the neucleus of another uranium (238) and plutonium (239) was attained. We all got quite a bang when the atom exploded. Then by using a VandeGraaff generator he generated thousands of volts of static electricity. To assist him in demonstrating this, Mr. Williams selected Buzzy Cannon, who had quite a hair raising experience. Besides being quite a spectacular sight, Buzzy was in need of a hair

Corps Pays Tribute To Former Principal

Tuesday afternoon, March 16, at 3 p.m., the corps of cadets paid tribute to the memory of Gen. Charles S. Roller, Jr. with a dress parade in his honor. In attendance were Mrs. Chas. S. Roller, Mrs. M. H. Livick, members of the military, academic, and administrative staffs.

After the parade, the corps was assembled on the blacktop to hear a special order read by Maj. Charles E. Savadge. The special order, signed by Rex Miller, Battalion Commander, and printed below, suffices to relate the sentiments of the student body.

"Two years ago today, 16 March 1963, the late Gen. Chas S. Roller, Jr., "the Big Boy," lay down to rest.

"In this, the Centennial Year at Augusta, the school which he loved so dearly and the school of which he was Principal for 55 years, we all must examine those ideals, those services, those qualities of excellence which made Gen. Roller stand out as a man among men, a man who loved his boys more than he did his life.

"The Big Boy would have wanted the Centennial Year of his school to look forward — learning from the past — for the

Did you notice . . .

- . . . National Elm Day?
- . . . The weather?
- . . . Flying saucers on Sunday night?
- . . . The officers Saturday permits?
- . . . Late lights?
- . . . The toothbrush stoop sweepers?
- . . . The tree on the side of barracks?
- . . . The Teen Club?
- . . . Breaking windows is in again?
- . . . The C. B.I.?
- . . . De Ayora's spring resolution ?
- . . . Vacation is only hours away?
- . . . Uncle Sam's gift to Germany?
- . . . Ozzie's big mouth?
- . . . the faculty officer who is always in the coman-dant's office except when he is O.C.?
- . . . the old Sober Eyes in 303?

cut. Mr. Williams went on to show how uranium atoms were used on fueling the nations nucluar powered submarines and ships. He also showed how radiation affected our lives. To do this, Mr. Williams gave John Gitzen, John Ensign, and Al Smith each a whiffle ball, one being radio active. Naturally everyone could not believe that one could possibly be radioactive. Needless to say, one was and the cadet who possessed it was non other than Al Smith. However, he showed no effects from this, that is, visable effects.

After his program was over, the chemistry and physics students remained for a question and answer period.

sake of the future.

"To his beloved wife, Mrs. Chas. S. Roller, Jr., to Mrs. M. Harris Livick, and to Col. M. H. Livick, the corps extends its affection . . . to them and to Col. Gardner, the Corps extends appreciation for extending the plans which the General had for HIS school.

"Though small in scope, the parade today is in memory of this man, our own BIG BOY who loved us as we loved him."

Colleges Accept Seniors; NROTC Scholarships Granted

With June 8 fast approaching, and college not far off, many seniors have already been accepted into colleges. Some men have not only been accepted into the college of their choice, but have been granted scholarships.

Winners of the NROTC scholarships are Bill Lynch, who will attend the University of Louisville, Joe McGough, and Tom Phillips. Winner of a football scholarship is Dick Crafton, who plans to attend Austin Peay.

Winner of a wrestling scholarship, Bob Biddle plans to attend V.M.I.

Those accepted into college are Brown F., Randolph Macon, University of Richmond; Carter H., V.M.I., Duke; Crafton, East Tennessee; Deffenbaugh, Hampton Sydney; Ensign, Clemson; Gitz-en, Emory and Henry; Hutcheson J., V.M.I., Randolph Macon; Jack-son, Lynchburg; Kirkpatrick, V.M.I.; Lacey, Rutgers; Maines, V.P.I.; Miller R., University of New Mexico; Neal, North Carolina Wesley-an; Pendergraft, East Tennessee; Ravenel, East Tennessee; Snyder W., Otterbien, Gannon; Wallace, Lynchburg; York, University of Michigan.

Those tentatively accepted are Deffenbaugh, University of Vir-ginia; Hart T., William and Mary; Hutcheson J., Roanoke; Leon-ards R., West Point; Lynch W., Oregon State; Painter, P.M.C.

Hawkeyes Take Army Match; To Trigger Nationals



Rifle Club members: (Bottom row, l to r) Jim Anderson, Tom Behrendt, Stanley Powell. (Top row, l to r) Steve Brister, Bari Buzzard, Sgt. Schwartz, Bill Rock.

Augusta's rifle team has captured first place honors in the 2nd Army match, Maj. Charles E. McCrary, PMS, announced last Satur-day. Medals for the team will be given out at a special parade after spring leave.

The top three schools in the 2nd Army competition will com-pete for the Nationals. AMA has been National Champion for three years and is shooting for its fourth win.

In the Virginia Military League standings, Augusta tied for second place with Staunton. In league matches, Augusta lost twice to Hargrave, who were first, and once to Staunton. In non-league matches, the team lost twice to Randolph-Macon. The league record was 7-3 and the overall record was 12-5.

Stanley Powell tied for fifth place and John Rock placed sixth in the Military League averages for individuals.

The Hawkeyes' top five shooters for this year are John Rock, Stanley Powell, Tom Behrendt, Jim Anderson, and Steve Brister.

Next year's team will miss several good shooters: Stanley Powell, Steve Brister, and Bari Buzzard. Shooters for next year will be Jim Anderson, Gordon Bennett, Tom Behrendt, and John Rock, and new shooters this year Matt Bradbury, Craig Zunka, John Pallatin, and Frank Magyar.

"TOP TEN"

1. "Mr. Lonely" _____by Rich Hackett
2. "You've Lost That Loving Feeling" ____by AMA Corps Cadets
3. "Willow Weep for Me" _____by The Senior Class
4. "Let's Lock the Door" _____by Rex Miller
5. "Thou Shalt Not Steal" _____by The Honor Committee
6. "King of the Road" _____by "Fuzzy Motto"
7. "Goldfinger" _____by Darryl Arthur
8. "The In Crowd" _____by Recess Under the Gym
9. "Little Honda" _____by Phineas
10. "Right or Wrong" _____by Exams

OLDIES BUT GOODIES!

- "Mo Jo Workout" _____by Penalty Formation
- "Round Robbin" _____by Bill Dohler
- "Daisy Petal Pickin" _____by George Pendergraft
- "Wishing and Hoping" _____by The College Boards
- "Step by Step" _____by Col. Livick's Office
- "Town Without a Pity" _____by Ft. Defiance Town Council
- "Break It to Me Gently" _____by Graduation Clan
- "Bits and Pieces" _____by The Mess Hall
- "Your Nose Is Going to Grow" _____by Dave Watts
- "He'll Only Hurt You" _____by Benny the Barber
- "Can't You Hear My Heart Beat"?? _____by the Infirmary
- "Midnight Special" _____by A.W.O.L.'s
- "Soldier Boy" _____by Perryman
- "My Girl" _____by Where is she?
- "Out of Limits" _____by The Nearest Bar
- "Glad All Over" _____by June 8th

Six Returning Lettermen Strengthen Baseball Team

Approximately thirty-five boys reported out for baseball this season. The squad has now been trimmed down to twenty players.

There are six returning lettermen from last year's team. They are Henley Carter, catcher, Joe McCue, Larry Pence, Bill Ruth, third base, Frank Poplaski, center field, and John Botcheller, pitcher.

With these returning veterans to form a nucleus, add Charlie Fix, short stop, Rosie Stillwagon, right field, Jim Thane, left field, Dick Crafton, pitcher, and Jim McIntosh, pitcher. Along with several other de-pendable young ball players, a highly successful sea-son could be in order.

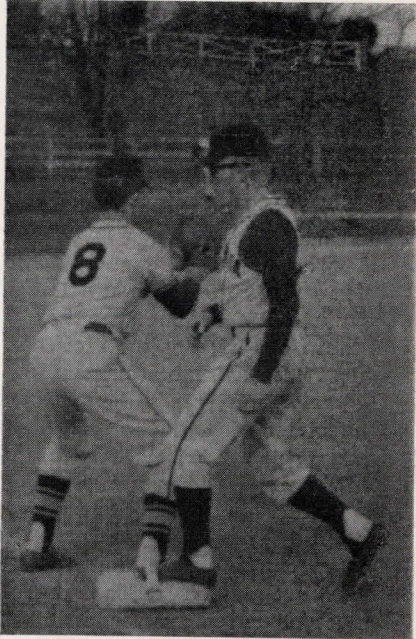
A fourteen-game schedule, with such formidable opponents as Hargrave, Staunton, and Fork Union on the schedule, faces the Blue Streaks. The team will have to rely heavily on the pitching staff.

The team opens its season on April 10 when Mas-sanutten will come to Augusta.

The schedule is as follows:

April 10, Massanutten — Home; April 13, Har-grave — Home; April 17, Greenbrier — Away; April 22, Randolph-Macon — Home; April 24, Massanutten— Away; April 27, Staunton — Home; April 30, Fork Union — Away; May 3, Staunton — Away; May 5, Randolph-Macon — Away; May 10, Fork Union — Home; May 12, Hargrave — Away; May 15, Green-brier — Home; May 18, Fishburne — Home; May 21, Fishburne — Away.

Game time is 3 p.m. for home games.



Was Bill Ruth trying for too much lead off second, or did Pence grab the ball from the pitcher for an out? The answer will never be known since this was only a practice game.

Fencers Lose To Johns Hopkins, End Season With 4-1 Record

The Augusta fencing team lost its next to last match to Johns Hopkins University freshman team by the close score 14-13 and then turned around and defeated the U.Va. Fencing Club 15-12 to end the season with a 4-1 record.

In the Hopkins meet, AMA won the sab-er and foils weapons — the foil 7-2 and the saber 5-4 — and lost the epee weapon 8-1.

In saber, Mac McCoy won three bouts while George Leonards won two; in the foil weapon, Bill Mangus and Ted Schroeder each won three and Gordon Bennett one; in the epee, Dave White won one bout while Vic Adamus lost all of his bouts.

It might be added that Augusta did not send a full team and, as a result, Leonards and McCoy had to fence nine bouts in sabre, while Vic Adamus and Dave White had to

fence nine bouts in epee. This made a differ-ence, as our style of weapon was soon noted by our opponents and thus we gave them an advantage of which they took good use.

Against the U.Va. Fencing Club, Ted Schroeder won two of his bouts while Bill Mangus won one. Dave Raybin, in his initial bout in foil, led 4-0 only to be nosed out 5-4. In sabre, Dick Downey and Mac McCoy each won his three bouts, while George Leonards won two out of three. In the epee, Dave White won one, Vic Adamus one, Craig Rob-inette two. Thus AMA took the sabre weapon 8-1, which enabled them to win the meet after losing the foil 6-3 and the epee 5-4.

The U.Va. team is composed of experi-enced fencers who have had more experience than Augusta.

Lacrosse Attracts Many

Moving with great agility across the field, McCoy proves himself an out-standing player on the Lacrosse team. Hard knocks never phase Mac when he's got that big stick in his hands.



The largest number of cadets ever to turn out for a lacrosse season appeared for the first practice recently. This spring, Augusta will have two teams in this sport: A JV and a varsity, with matches scheduled for each team.

The opening game for the varsity was with Roanoke College here last Wednesday. The Roanoke team is com-posed of boys from the vicinity of Baltimore, Annapolis, and Washington, and were expected to put up a strong at-tack against AMA. (Because of deadlines, this newspaper was unable to print the results of that game.)

On the varsity defense are found Bob Biddle, Charlie Smith, Dick Cunmare; on the midfield are Don Porter, Ernie Johnson, Tom Matthews; on the attack are Bari Buzzard, Eddie Stamm, Chuck Sively, Bob Cooper, Eddie Bourne, Marvin Rosenthal. At goal are Tom Hart, Jeff VanPoyck, Doug Dogoli, Bob McCoy, and Rex Miller.

The J-V team opens its season the day after Govern-ment Inspection against the J-V team from Woodberry Forest. Woodberry Forest has always had a good team in every sport — this being the fourth season they have had a junior varsity team while Augusta has its second year for a second team.

Playing for this team are Bill Mangus, Nick Syropol-ous, Bob Murphy and Joe Carter at attack; at midfield are Joe Almo, Dick Wood, Jon Hayden, Steve Sharp, Steve Gar-nett, Sam Fisher, at defense are Chuck McCrary, Eddie Daniels, Frank Spofford, Cliff Williams, Jay Wasco, Bob Carraway, Don Meachum.

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Spirit, Fight Rock "B" Company

by James Moore

The story of B Company's success is not a sudden one. First place B Company has been fighting for that position since the beginning of the year. Although they are not always in first place, they never give up. Inevitably, they regain it whenever it is lost.

Now I will try to tell you about some of the cadets behind our success.

There is "Ping" Pangborn, who, unfortunately, has been laid up in the infirmary. I think when the new cadets first met Clint, he was more afraid of them than they were of him. But the fact that at times he appears shy does not hinder his outstanding leadership qualities.

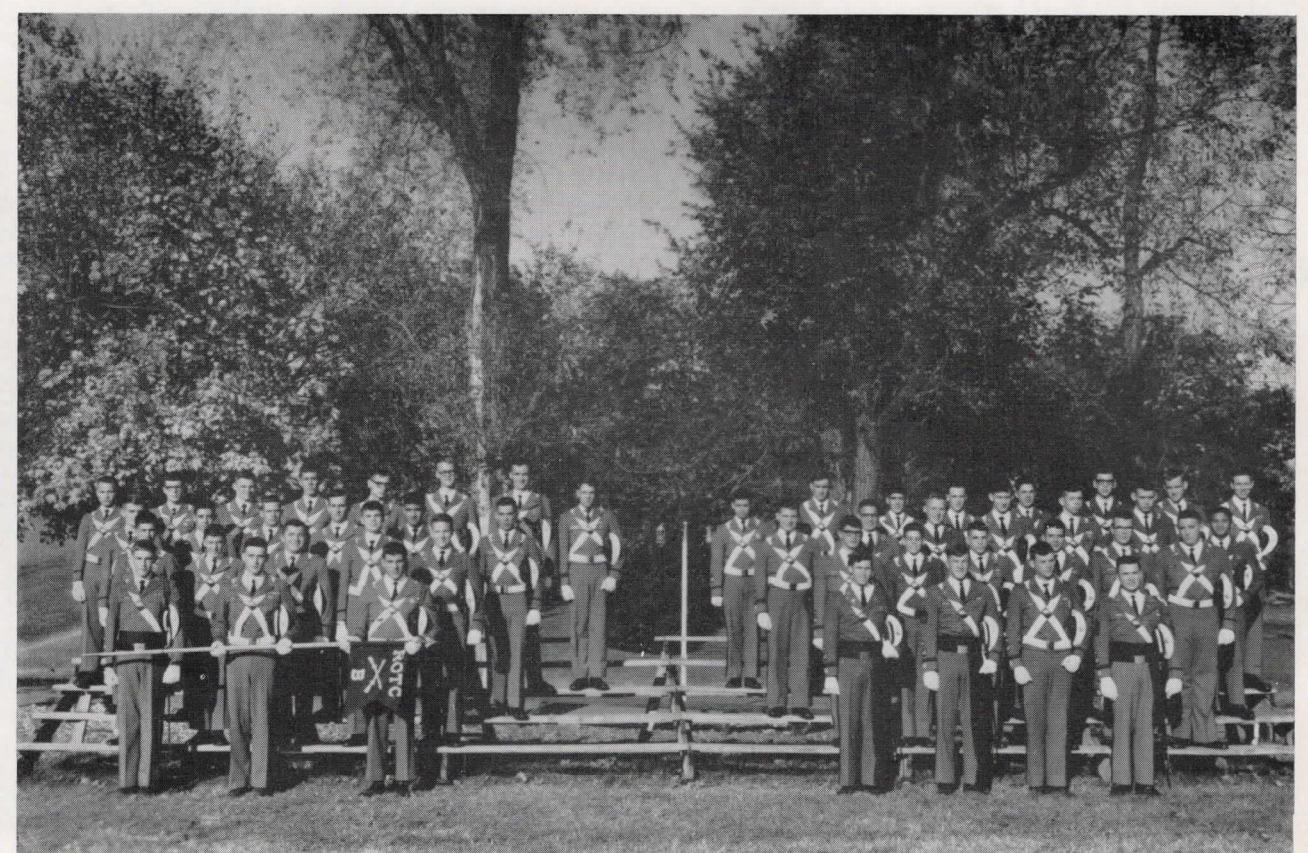
Our newly appointed lieutenant, Chris Nuckols, of the second platoon, should be recognized as a big help in B company spirit. Chris is a regular guy whom everyone likes. No one can deny that he's a friend to everyone and greatly deserves the rank and respect he has.

You all know the giant of B Company, Brock Wagner. How can you miss him? It may be hard to believe, but our first platoon leader is only sixteen years old. His age does not affect his leadership, though; he has made the first platoon one of the best in the corps. Frank Poplaski, our first sergeant, is another regular guy. Pop always has a big smile on his face which helps a great deal, because when the officers are happy, the company's happy. We can't forget Tom Tucker and Jim Tessada, our platoon sergeants, who also play an active role in our success.

In addition to these men, there are a few others whom I'd like to mention. These men may not be well known throughout the corps, but they are well known in B Company. Cliff Hayes is the stubby, happy go lucky mail carrier. Cliff is the bringer of good and bad tidings; it all depends on who has got the mail. Who will ever forget that jovial, brain full of jokes, Rex Ickes, whose merry old soul shakes like a bowl full of jelly when he laughs? And last but not least, there's Frank Magyar whose home made P.A. system is louder than the school's. I'm pretty confident that you all know him. The school may not agree with his space ship landing late one night, but it's clean fun like that that keeps AMA and B Company going.

It would be impossible for me to list the achievements of all who are responsible for B Company's success, because I would have to name everyone. I think we can honestly blame B Company's success on the closeness of everyone in the company, from the highest officer right down to the lowest private. Let's hope that it stays that way, and that every other company adopts these good ways, too.

Varied Personalities Add Spice To Corps; Led By Pangborn, Nuckols, Wagner



First Platoon of "B" Company: Front row: Leland O'Brian, John Ravenel, Larry Levy. 2nd row: Mitch Zinder, Jerry Pierano, Joe DiFelice, Mark Smith, Bob Boswell. 3rd row: Ladd Martin, Gus Medina, Alfonso Rio, George Perez, Ralph Deciet, Jose Arrellano. 4th row: Alan Cox, Hampton Brown, Jim Moore, Bill Lynch, Don Sandifer, Fred Farmer, Jim Tessada, Timothy Forrer. Second Platoon: Front row: Capt. Earl Pangborn, Scott Dildine, Chris Nuckols, Jim Nordin. 2nd row: John Calabrisi, Steve Fox, Mark Snyder, Gary Mutchler, Dick Mishler, Stan Myers. 3rd row: Rex Ickes, John Palatin, John Stamp, Joe Finnen, Tom Phillips, Joe Ferguson, Joe Villaroman. 4th row: Cliff Hayes, John Burts, John Caradona, Fred Wright, Brad Alan, Tom Tucker, Jim Bewley, Eddie Taylor. Not shown: Frank Magyar, Frank Poplaski, Brock Wagner, Joe Digesare, Dee Dee Brown, Bruce Williams III, Jerry Wall and Jim Warwick.

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Language Dept. Head Gives Students Inspiration, Advice Humor

Capt. Anthony J. LaPlaca, the man with the long copper pipe, has many exceptional qualities which make him one of the most lively, happy-go-lucky teachers at AMA. Although he's tyrannical in class, he has a heart as warm as the Italian sunshine.

He was born on Aug. 9, 1936 in Rochester, New York. He attended school there, receiving his B.A. degree from the University of Rochester in 1958, majoring in Latin and French. From there he attended graduate school at Johns Hopkins University, where he received his M.A. in 1959.

Capt. LaPlaca has been teaching at AMA for four years and this year he was appointed head of the foreign language department. Besides teaching French and Latin, he has accepted the responsibility of opening the school bank and book room. Cadets look forward to seeing such a pleasant person assisting them on these required days. He has an excellent knowledge of Latin, Greek, French, Spanish, German, Italian, and various other languages. When the captain finds himself with a little free time, which does not often happen at AMA, he usually picks up a good book, his favorite interest.

Well known around the school for his advice, he has extended much help to many cadets. Jolly as can be, the leader of the second stoop is respected and admired by his family of four hundred and fifty cadets. It's customary to



see the captain in the early morning strolling so peacefully in front of the corps with a cup of coffee in his right hand and a book under his left arm. The captain really "swings out" when a hit tune is played, never condemning the younger generation, but enjoying "la dolce vita." Barracks would never be the same without "that little ole wine maker." He is popular in every way and when cooking spaghetti, our teacher of the month is chef among the best! As the English would say, "Jolly good chap!"

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